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A LETTER sent from *New-Jersey* in *America* to a Friend in *London.*

Dear Friend,

I *Having this short opportunity, have nothing to present thee with but the Dying Words of an* Indian *King, who died in* Burlington, *and was Buried amongst Friends according to his desire; and at his Burial many Tears were shed both by the* Indians *and* English; *if thou art willing to Print it, I desire thee to send me some; So in Love and great hast, I rest thy friend,*

Burlington *the* 12*th of the* 5*th. Month,* 1682.

John Cripps.

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He appointed KING after Him; Spoken in the Presence of several, who were Eye and Ear Witnesses to the Truth thereof.

IT was my desire that *My Brother's Son, Jahkursoe* should be sent for to come to me to hear my *last Words*, whom I have oppointed KING after me. *My Brother's Son*, This day I deliver my Heart into thy Bosom, and would have thee love that which is

Good,

Good, and to keep *good Company*, and to refuſe that which is *Evil*; and to avoid *bad Company*. Now inaſmuch as I have delivered my Heart into thy Boſom, I alſo deliver my Boſom to keep my Heart therein; therefore alwaies be ſure to walk in a *good Path*, and never depart out of it. And if any *Indians* ſhould ſpeak any evil of *Indians* or *Chriſtians*, do not joyn with it, but to look to that which is *Good*, and to joyn with the ſame alwaies. Look at the Sun from the Riſing of it to the Setting of the ſame. In Speeches that ſhall be made between the *Indians* and the *Chriſtians*, if any thing be ſpoke that is evil, do not joyn with that, but joyn with that which is good; and when Speeches are made, do not thou ſpeak firſt, but let all ſpeak before thee, and take good notice what each man ſpeaks, and when thou haſt heard all, joyn to that which is good. *Brother's Son*, I would have thee to *cleanſe* thy *Ears*, and take all *Darkneſs* and *foulneſs* out, that thou maiſt take notice of that which is *Good* and *Evil*, and then to joyn with that which is *Good*, and refuſe the *Evil*; and alſo to cleanſe

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thy *Eyes* that thou maist see both *Good* and *Evil*: and if thou see any *Evil* do not joyn with it, but joyn to that which is *Good*. *Brother's Son*, Thou hast heard all that is past: now I would have thee to stand up in time of *Speeches*, and to stand in my *Steps*, and follow my *Speeches* as I have said before thee, then what thou dost desire in *Reason* will be granted thee. Why should thou not *follow* my *Example* inasmuch as I have had a mind to do that which is *Good*, and therefore do thou also the same. Whereas *Sehoppy* and *Swanpis* were appointed Kings by me in my stead, and I understanding by my Doctor that *Sehoppy* secretly advised him not to Cure me, and they both being with me at *John Hollingsheads* House, there I my self see by them that they were given more to *Drink* than to take notice of my *last Words*, for I had a mind to make a Speech to them, and to my *Brethren* the *English Commissioners*, therefore I refused them to be Kings after me in my stead, and have chosen my Brother's Son *Jahkursoe* in their stead to succeed me.

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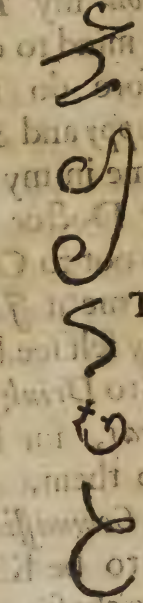
Brother's Son,

I desire thee to be plain and fair with all both *Indians* and *Christians*, as I have been. I am very weak, otherwise I would have spoken more; and in Testimony of the *Truth* of this, I have hereunto set my Hand in the presence of us,

Witnesses,

Thomas Budd,
Sarah Biddle,
Mary Cripps,
Anne Browne,
Jane Noble.

An imitation of the *Indian* Marks,



The Mark of *Ockanickon*, King, now deceased.

The Mark of *Jahkursoe*, the intended King.

The Mark of *Matollionequay*, Wife to *Ockanickon* the Old King.

The Mark of *Nemooponent*, a Prince.

The Mark of *Tellinggrisee*, the *Indian* Doctor.

Henry Jacobs Falckinburs, Interpreter.

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